British Subjects and in British-built Ships owned by His Majesty's Subjects, and navigated according to Law. And whereas it is expedient and necessary that Provision be made for fully supplying the Inhabitants and Fishermen of the Island of Newfoundland, for the ensuing Season, with Bread, Flour, Indian Corn and Live Stock; His Majesty doth thereupon, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, hereby order and declare, That, for the Supply of the Inhabitants and Fishermen of the Island of Newfoundland, for the ensuing Season only, Bread, Flour, Indian Corn and Live Stock be imported into the said Island from any of the Territories belonging to the said United States, by British Subjects, and in British-built Ships owned by His Majesty's Subjects, and navigated according to Law, and which shall, within the Space of Seven Months previous to the Time of such Importation, have cleared out from some Port in Great Britain, or some other Port of His Majesty's Dominions in Europe, for which Purpose a Licence shall have been granted by the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs in England or Scotland, or the Commissioners of His Majesty's Revenue in Ireland, or any other Person or Persons who may be duly authorized in that Kingdom respectively, in the Manner and Form herein after mentioned; which Licences shall continue and be in Force for Seven Calendar Months from the Day of the Date upon which they are respectively granted, and no longer; provided that no such Licence as aforesaid, granted after the Thirtieth Day of September, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-six, shall be of any Force or Effect: And His Majesty is hereby further pleased to order, That the Master, or Person having the Charge or Command of any Ship or Vessel to whom such Licence shall be granted, shall, upon the Arrival of the said Ship or Vessel at the Port, Harbour or Place in the Island of Newfoundland where he shall discharge such Bread, Flour, Indian Corn or Live Stock, deliver up the said Licence to the Collector or other proper Officer of the Customs there, having first indorsed on the Back of such Licence the Marks, Numbers and Contents of each Package of Bread, Flour, or Indian Corn, and the Number of Live Stock, under the Penalty of the Forfeiture in the said Act mentioned. And the Collector or other proper Officer of the Customs at Newfoundland is hereby enjoined and required to give a Certificate to the Master, or Person having the Charge or Command of such Ship or Vessel, of his having received the said Licence, so indorsed as before directed, and to transmit the same to the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs in England or Scotland, or to the Commissioners of His Majesty's Revenue in Ireland, respectively, by whom such Licence was granted.

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FORM of the LICENCE directed by the above Order.

By the Commissioners for managing and causing to be levied and collected His Majesty's Customs, Subsidies and other Duties in [*where*]

WHEREAS [*Name of the Person*] one of His Majesty's Subjects, residing at [*Place where*] hath given Notice to us the Commissioners of His Majesty's [*Customs in Great Britain, or Revenue in Ireland*] that he intends to lade at [*some Port of the United States in America*] and import into [*some Port of Newfoundland*] in the [*Ship's Name*] being a British-built Ship [*describing the Tonnage, and what Sort of Vessel*] navigated according to Law, whereof [*Master's Name*] is Master, bound to [*where*]; and it appearing by the Register of the said Ship the [*Ship's Name*] whereof [*Master's Name*] is Master, that the said Ship the [*Ship's Name*] was built at [*Place where*] and owned by [*Owner's Name*] residing at [*Place where*] all His Majesty's British Subjects; and that no Foreigner, directly or indirectly, hath any Share, Part, or Interest therein.

Now be it known that the said [*Person's Name*] hath Licence to lade on board the said Ship [*Ship's Name*], at and from any Port or Place belonging to the United States of America, Bread, Flour, Indian Corn, and Live Stock, the Produce of the said United States, and no other Article whatsoever, and to carry the said Bread, Flour, Indian Corn, and Live Stock to some Port or Place in the Island of Newfoundland; and on the Arrival of the said Ship at any Port, Harbour, or Place of Discharge in Newfoundland, the Master, or Person having the Charge or Command of the said Ship, is required and enjoined to deliver up the said Licence to the Collector or other proper Officer of His Majesty's Customs there, and to indorse on the Back thereof the Marks, Numbers, and Contents of each Package of Bread, Flour, or Indian Corn, and the Number of Live Stock, and shall thereupon receive a Certificate thereof from the said Collector or other proper Officer of the Customs.

This Licence to continue in Force for Calendar Months from the Date hereof.

Signed by us the
at the this Day
of One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-six.

Licence to import Bread, Flour, Indian Corn, and Live Stock, the Produce of the United States of America, into Newfoundland. *W. F.*